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AMENDMENT

SIR:

In response to the Office Action having mailing date of November 17, 2005, please reconsider the above-identified application based on the following.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.